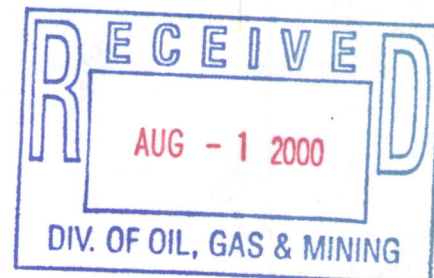


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To: Bill Stringer and Sal Venticinque - BLM (Moab) **Date:** July 31, 2000
Fax #: 1-435-259-2158 **Pages:** 1, including this cover sheet.
From: Lee "Pat" Gochnour
Subject: Lisbon Valley Groundwater Drilling Request

Gentlemen:

Per my phone conversation with Sal Venticinque on July 25, 2000, I wanted to follow-up on some misunderstanding(s) that may exist.

To begin with, Sal was concerned that the above referenced request was a new request not contemplated in the proposed Lisbon Valley Project Plan of Operations. This is not the case. Water Supply, groundwater development and dewatering was discussed in the POO in Section 3.4.6. The FEIS evaluated water supply, groundwater/pit dewatering in the following Sections 2.2.6, 3.2.3, and 4.2.2.1. The ROD addressed dewatering in the Hydrology Section which begins on Page 11.

Summo also addressed groundwater development (supply and dewatering) in the BLM requested Groundwater Investigation (Lisbon Valley Project Groundwater Flow Model Analysis Results) Section 6.

Also, the ROD, in the Mitigation and Monitoring Stipulations Section, Page 21 addresses supply wells, dewatering and abandonment/plugging of the wells.

Finally, Summo copied the BLM on all groundwater appropriation requests with the Utah Division of Water Rights.

Sal has indicated verbally that he does not have the time to review this request because of more pressing BLM commitments, and does not know when he will be able to get to Summo's request/notification. He indicated that he would discuss those matters with staff and get back to me/Summo.

Once you have reviewed this follow-up information supporting our request, could you respond in writing regarding your plans for action? If you have any questions regarding what I have presented, please contact me at the above listed phone number.

Thanks.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that appears to read "Pat Gochnour".

Pat Gochnour
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cc Bob Prescott - Summo
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